

DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-7, and 9-20 are allowed, and are renumbered as 1-19.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Yelena Morozova on 10/14/2008.

In claim 1, last line, -, wherein the packet filter performs network layer filtering and one of the group consisting of transport layer filtering and application layer filtering- is added after the word "node".

Claim 8 is canceled.

In claim 9, line 5, -means for performing network layer filtering and one of the group consisting of transport layer filtering and application layer filtering;- is added before the word "and".

In claim 15, line 3, -, by a packet filter,- is added after the word "directing".

In claim 15, line 4, -, by the packet filter,- is added after the word "directing".

In claim 15, line 6, -, wherein the packet filter performs network layer filtering and one of the group consisting of transport layer filtering and application layer filtering- is added after the word "cache".

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In claim 18, line 5, -, by a packet filter,- is added after the word "directing".

In claim 18, line 6, -, by the packet filter,- is added after the word "directing".

In claim 18, line 8, -, wherein the packet filter performs network layer filtering and one of the group consisting of transport layer filtering and application layer filtering- is added after the word "cache".

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